(b) if so, the details thereof including provisions made for sophisticated arms, vehicles, speed boats, bullet proof items and information system;

(c) whether it is a fact that due to inadequate family housing for police forces near the police station/outpost and modern weapons, the efficiency of Assam Police could not be improved;

(d) if so, the action taken to improve the efficiency of Assam Police; and

(e) the number of new battalions proposed to be created and since when the proposals are pending and when these are likely to be commissioned/cleared?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) Central Government has been providing assistance for modernisation of police forces in North Eastern States. Under the special scheme for modernisation of police forces in North Eastern States, 197 maruti Gypsy King vehicles, 70 Tata 407 trucks, 45 Tata 709 trucks, 1020 SLR's, 1270 Carbines, 500 Pistol, 25509 Bombs and Grenades and 911720 rounds of ammunition were provided to Assam Police during 1997-98. 40 of the above vehicles have been bullet proofed.

Under the general scheme modernisation of police forces, an amount of Rs. 47.72 lakhs has also been released to Assam during 1997-98.

A comprehensive scheme for providing assistance for modernisation of police forces in North Eastern States including Assam is under consideration of Government.

(c) and (d) Government is seized of the fact that police housing needs to be improved to increase the efficienty of police forces. The Tenth Finance Commission recommendations for the North Eastern States include a provision for Police Housing. In respect of Assam, the recommended outlay is Rs. 8291.25 lakhs. Rs. 3212.67 lakhs has been released to the State Government so far.

(e) Central Government has sanctioned four India Reserve Battalions for the State of Assam so far. No proposal for additional battalions is under consideration of Government.

Encroachment on Government Land in Aram Bagh

4669. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the automobile workers who have been allotted shops at Chitragupta Road, New Delhi are unauthorisedly using Government land for repair and parking purposes in front of Block No. 166 to 201, Aram Bagh;

(b) whether it is also a fact that number of complaints in this regard have been lodged with the local police authorities by the residents and Welfare Association of Aram Bagh;

(c) the action taken by the police authorities in this regard during the last two years; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) be in negative what prompt action is proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (d) The problem of unauthorised use of Government land by the allottees of the automobile shops on Chitragupta Road, New Delhi is of a continuing nature.However, during the last two years, Delhi Police registered eight cases against such unauthorised use which ended in conviction by the court of law.

लक्ष्मीबाई नगर तथा पश्चिमी किदवई नगर में अपराध

4670. श्री सूर्यभान पाटील वहाडणे: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि लक्ष्मीबाई नगर/पश्चिमी किदवई नगर में पिछले दो साल से हत्या, लूटपाट तथा चोरी की घटनाओं में काफी वृद्धि हुई है, यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण है;

(ख) पिछले दो वर्षों में कितनी घटनाएं घटी हैं तथा उनमें से पहचाने गये मामलों की संख्या और जिन व्यक्तियों से जवाब तलब किया गया है उनकी संख्या संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या बढ़ती हुई झुग्गी-झोपड़ी बस्तियों के कारण ये घटनाएं हो रही हैं; और

(घ) इस क्षेत्र में बढ़ती घटनाओं को देखते हुए सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे है तथा सरकार पालिका ग्राम मार्ग से झुग्गी-झोपड़ियों को कब तक हटाने का विचार रखती है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी): (क) और (ख) अपेक्षित सूचना विवरण में संलग्न है। (नीचे देखिए)

(ग) जी नहीं, श्रीमान।

(घ) क्षेत्र में अपराधों की रोकथाम करने के लिए दिल्ली पुलिस द्वारा किए गए उपायों में गश्त बढ़ाना और संवेदनशील स्थानों पर पुलिस कार्मिकों को तैनात करना शामिल है। पात्र झुग्गी वासियों का वैकल्पिक स्थानों पर पुनर्वास करने के लिए पहचान की गई है।

विवरण

अपराध शीर्ष	सूचित मामलों की संख्या			हल किए गए मामलों की संख्या			गिरफ्तार किए गए व्यक्तियों की संख्या		
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Central Police Forces for Panchayat Elections in West Bengal

4671. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of West Bengal had requested the Central Government to make Central police forces available for the smooth conduct of the recently held Panchayat Elections;

(b) if so, the number of companies requested for and the other details thereof; and

(c) whether the request was acceded to and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) Government of West Bengal requested for providing 50 coys of Central Para Military forces for Panchayat Elections in the State, 25 coys of Central Para Military Forces were provided to the Government of West Bengal, for the purpose.

भारत-नेपाल सीमा पर तस्करी

4672. श्री मनोहर कान्त ध्यानी: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत-नेपाल सीमा पर बड़े पैमाने पर हो रहीं तस्करी तथा अपराध को रोकने और वहां संसाधनों को सुरक्षित रखने के लिए दिये गये दिशानिर्देशों के अनुसार योजना आयोग ने भारत-नेपाल सीमा विकास बोर्ड बनाने के संबंध में एक प्रस्ताव गृह मंत्रालय को अग्रेषित किया था;